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EXAMINING GROUP 2767

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Feldbau et al.

Group Art Unit: 2767

Serial No. 08/981,461

Examiner: Paul Callahan

Filed: December 23, 1997

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
AUTHENTICATING THE  
DISPATCH AND CONTENTS OF  
DOCUMENTS

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Box AF  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Action dated April 18, 2000, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 64, and 149 as follows:

64. (Twice Amended) Apparatus for authenticating that certain information has been transmitted from a sender via a dispatcher to a recipient, the apparatus comprising:

means for providing a set A comprising a plurality of information elements a1,...,an, where said information element a1 is originated from the sender and comprising the contents of the information being electronically transmitted to said recipient, and said one or more information elements a2,...,an comprising dispatch-related information and comprise at least the following elements:

a2 - a time indication associated with said dispatch; and

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